

*...is one of the
great delights
for an editor in
the publishing
industry.*



*Having one's
serialized
work compiled
into a volume...*

*Just when it
seems like...*

CHEERS!

**CONGRATU-
LATIONS ON
SETTING
500,000 COPIES
OF SA OUT!**



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VOL. 10

I REALLY..

...*REALLY*
COULDN'T
HAVE DONE IT
WITHOUT ALL
OF YOU.

THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH!!!

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MY NAME IS
CHIBA, AND AS
THE NATIONAL
ACCOUNTS MANAGER,
I'VE HAD THE PLEAS-
URE OF DISCUSSING
THE SALE OF YOUR
BOOK TO SEVERAL
STORES...

I'M
SORRY I
HAVEN'T
INTRODUCED
MYSELF
YET!

THIS
HERE IS MR.
CHIBA FROM
OPERATIONS.
WE JOINED
THE COMPANY
ABOUT THE
SAME TIME.

CONGRATULA-
TIONS, MR.
MATSUME!

HEY ... YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO
IS SELLING IT
FOR ME?



THIRTY
THOUSAND... FY

THIRTY-
AND FIFTY!



NO...

RATHER, IT
MIGHT BE TOO
HIGH (BUT
THINK I'LL
GO FOR
FIFTY)



3rd
FLOOR

At the
Company
Headquarters of
Shueisha, the
weekly *Shounen*'s
publishing
house.



OR RADICALLY
A LITTLE OVER
THIRTY THOUSAND.

THE BOOK
WAS PUT OUT
LAST YEAR SOLD
OVER FIFTY
THOUSAND

YOU'RE RIGHT
IF YOU'RE THINKING
THAT FIRST VOLUME
WELL, ON AVERAGE,
TEN THOUSAND COPIES.
BUT MS. NATSUME'S
VOLUME IS





CHINA.



I ARRIVED
AT THAT MIRROR
DURING A MEETING
WITH THE
DEPARTMENT
HEADS.

AND I THINK
THAT TIGHTLY
PACKAGED IS
APPROPRIATE.

...AUSTRIAN.



IT'S A VERY
DIFFICULT
BUSINESS
COMPARED TO
JOURNALISM.

SURE.



YOU'VE REALLY
ADAPTED TO
BECOME ONE OF
THE PUBLISHING
HOUSE GUYS.



HE CAN'T
SEE THE SIDE
OF EXCESSIVE
RETURN OF HIS
MONEY AND
TODAY MONEY.

YOU'VE
ALWAYS BEEN IN
JOURNALISM, SO YOU
DON'T UNDERSTAND
ANYTHING ABOUT THE
BOOK BUSINESS.



YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DOESN'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING

SA IS SUPER POPULAR IN OUR AREA... RIGHT NOW... AT AN UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL!!!

IT'S BEING A LOT MORE POPULAR THAN IT WAS!!

SO, MOVE YOUR CHAIRS



I'm sorry to say this,

but I will need some concrete evidence of...

...the "popularity" issue.



WHY ARE YOU SAYING YOUR MATTER HERE WHILE YOU'RE HERE IN THE CAR?

I GET IT. I GET IT. COULD YOU NOT SPEAK YOUR MIND ALL OVER THE

YOU'VE GOT THAT BACK ALL OVER YOUR MOUTH



MAKING
DECISIONS.

I'M SORRY
BUT IT'S
MY JOB TO
ANALYZE ALL
THE ALIBIS
BEFORE

AND THEY
OVERTALK
TO OUR
ILLUSTRATED
PRINT RUN.



THOSE
ENTIRE'S GOES
OFF AHEAD OF
THEIRSELVES.

Giba
Makoto (28)

Seismika Ltd
Sales Department



THEY'LL
DEFINITELY
PRINT MORE!

IT'S FINE.



AM — OK.
That's good.



I'M
SORRY
I' TRIP
HARD.

BUT WHY
DON'T THEY
BUYING GOING
TO BULK PRINT TIGHTLY
THICKENY COVER
AND THE BIRTH
RELEASE.



OH, I JUST
REMEMBERED
THAT I HAVE TO
HURRY OVER TO
THE STORE THAT'S
OUT OF STOCK ON
SOME BOOKS!



THAT
BOOK IS
CONTINUED!
NEXT MONTH A
NEW VOLUME
WILL BE
COMING
OUT

AH, THEN,
PLEASE, BE
AS LATE.

RECENTLY
DARK MARCH &
PHILIPPO ARE
VERY REALLY
POPULAR! THAT'S
ALL
CONVENTION'S
WORKS!



IS
THE STORE
MANAGER
HERE?

IF THERE
ARE, PLEASE!



IT SEEMS TO
BE BECAUSE THAT
GARDEN IN AKA HAS
BEEN THE TOPIC OF
MUCH TALK.

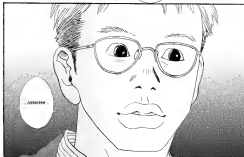
ANY
RECENTLY IT'S
BEEN REALLY
NOISY.

WHY? WE
HATED A
BOTH IS BEING
DISPLAYED
WITH COME TO
THE ENTRANCE.



LOOK...
BOTH THERE
AND EVERY SOME
AND HAVE
BEEN BUYING
THEM.

WE'VE BEEN
STEADILY MOVING
THEM OUT FROM
THE BOARD'S
CORNER.



...AFTERNOON...



IS THAT
SO, MR.
SCHOLARSHIP MAN?

I PERSONALLY
IDENTIFY
WITH THE MAIN
CHARACTER AND
HIS SITUATION
COMPLETELY

THIS
IS JUST
BETWEEN YOU
AND ME, BUT
I, TOO, AM
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO IT



WELL

LET ME
BE
COVERED
OUT
NEXT
MONTH,
THANKS

PLEASE
TAKE
CARE
OF US!!



I couldn't take
the playful
remark...

...and the old man
seriously

In order
to complete
everything
smoothly and
strengthen
the pact.



We can't do this.
But as they were tangled
together, he unconsciously wrapped
his arms around her and pressed her to
his chest. She was hugging him
and more. What should I do now...?
Tessie looked over his shoulder and
began to help down the stairs.

To be continued

Two of fifty-two
years of age to
in touch with
and finds love
ones more. The
undisputed fact
volume will be reduced
shortly.

THE
SMALL LEADS
FURTHER, IN AN
ADVENTURE

HE'S
LIKE AN
OLD MAN

I DO KNOW
THROUGH HIM ...
BUT I'VE NEVER
GOT DOWN TO
READ IT

*It wasn't special
or anything.*

*Four years ago, there
was a book
that I really
got into.*

*but it was a
book by a girl
whose I liked.*



*I don't drive
too much into the
books I get.*



*IT'S ABOUT
HOW COMING
AND GOING TO
BE HIGHER
AND.*

*Just for a bit, I
eventually felt
that "I sold it."*

*...and worked
really hard
dragging the
promotional
material and
looking
advertising
again.*

*I went around
to all kinds of
bookstores...*

*And I
sold it.*

*And I
sold it.*



*IT'S REALLY
Selling. That
the reader
to become a
millionaire.*

*And IT'S
IN THE TOP
TEN NOW.*







JERK

WHAT IS THAT A PROOF...?

Yeah... If you want me to read it... I could just look through it.

Read through all of it?

It's not done yet, so I don't want to read it. The cover is a sketch.

Yeah...



What you mean?

If I have to get all of it, I don't want to. I don't want to read it. I don't want to read it. I don't want to read it.



You'll fall in love with the book in a blink of an eye!

That's why you have to read it!



YOU CAN'T
JUST TELL
ME TO HELL
IN LOVE WITH
IS RIGHT?

ON TOP OF
THAT, WHETHER
OR NOT I GET
INTO THE BOOK
DEPENDS ON ME
AND ONLY ME.



THINK
BEFORE IF
YOU LIKE IT
OR NOT.

BUT
READ IT
FIRST.

OHAYO.

...I CAN.



BUT YOU'RE
ACTUALLY
QUITE
DIFFERENT.

YOU KNOW
I HATED YOU
HERE QUITE
THE WORKER
IN THE BOOK
VERSION.







OUR BACK
ORDERS ON THESE
TWO BOOKS ARE
WAITING ON MORE
COPIES TO BE
PRINTED.

HELL, SO
MANY HAVE
BEEN ASKING
US, IT'S SA
OUT YET!

THE NUMBER
OF PEOPLE
COMING TO BUY
BOOKS HAS ALSO
INCREASED.



THAT GIRL
WHO I TALKED
ABOUT ... HADN'T
RETURNED MY
CALL.

REALLY,
I REALLY
JUST FEEL
BAD IF I
DON'T DO
IT.



OH, HELLO.



I REALLY
AM LIVING
THE SA
LIFE...



No.
I was
moved.

ABOUT
THE INITIAL
BATCH COUNT
FOR 54.

Perhaps,
I was
affected by
that level of
empathy and
appreciation
for it.

I thought
it was
useless
to get so
immersed
in work.

but...



I knew it
myself.

I WOULD
LIKE TO UP
THE PRINT
RUN TO FIFTY
THOUSAND.



SINCE OUR
SARAH IS QUOTE
THE TOPIC THAT
DOESN'T HAVE
TO BE TRUE

WELL,



HE
ANYWAYS
DOESN'T HAVE
ANY REAL
RELATIONSHIP
RIGHT?



WENT BLIND
IF TWENTY
THOUSAND?

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN
BY FIFTY
THOUSAND?



AND NOW HE
DOESN'T HAVE ANY
GUARANTEES ABOUT
FEMALE RELATIONSHIP

BUT WE
DON'T KNOW
IF THEY WILL
BUY THE BOOK
OR NOT



ALL THESE
BOOKSTORES
WENT TO SUCH
LENGTH, SO
THE SITUATION
COULD BE THE
SAME ALL OVER
THE COUNTRY



IN ALL THE
BOOKSTORES I
WENT AROUND
TO, SALES HAVE
INCREASED

AND THE
BOOKSTORES
ARE PROMPTLY
DISPLAYING
ADVERTISEMENTS



WHAT AIDE
AM GOING TO
DO WITH ALL
THOSE UNCLE
COPIES?

IT IS NOT
POSITIVE
SALES IN EVERY
CABLE HOUR.
IT'S NOT GOING
TO SELL!

ACCORDING
TO ALL THE
DATA, THE
AUTHOR



LIKE I ALREADY
SAID, DON'T GET
CARRIED AWAY
WITH RUMORS.

DON'T
FORGET TO
CHECK THINGS
CLOSELY, MR.
CARPENTER.

YOU DON'T
NEED FIFTY
THOUSAND
COPIES,
RIGHT?





AND PLEASE TO

AM ... I'M
SUGGESTING
THAT WE
RETHINK
THROUGH



WHY'S
ISN'T THAT
POSSIBLE?

ENTER NO
NAME

IS NOW
FORTY
THOUSAND?

THE
PRINT RUN
FOR 54



NAME, IT'S
YOUR NEW
COLLEAGUE --
CHIEF HAS HIS
NAME -- PLEASE
ASK.



ANDREW,
UNTIL HE
REPLIED
TO HIS
ARGUMENTS.

... TOOK OVER
THREE MONTHS TO
ACCOMPLISH
DEBATE
WITH OUR CHIEF
PERFORMANCE
DIRECTOR.



INITIAL
BATCH OF
SA IS BEING
DOUBLED
TO FORTY
THOUSAND!!

PUFF

PUFF

HNH??



SCREE!
I REALLY
WANTED TO
DELIVER SOME
NEWS IN
PERSON.

FORTY
THOUSAND...
FORTY
THOUSAND



OSHA IN
THE BOOK
DIVISION...
I'VE NEVER
HEARD OF
HER.

WHY DID
HE



OSHA!



HOWARD
REALLY
WENT AT A
MEETING TO
DO THAT

A MAN IN
THE BOOK
DIVISION
CALLED OSHA



THE PEOPLE
IN THE BOOK
DIVISION
HARDLY EVER
GET TO MEET
THE AUTHORS
OF THEIR
BOOKS.

BUT WE HAVE
TO RELY ON
THEM TO SELL
OUR BOOKS.

THEY SAY
THAT'S THE
NATURE OF
THEIR JOB.

... BECAUSE HE
CAN'T CONTACT
THE BOOKSTORES
OUTSIDE HERE.

LONG WAITED VOLUME 54

NATSUME
MIHOU **54**

TAKING AT FIFTY-FOUR YEARS OF AGE HAS
BEEN SUBJECT OF INNUMERABLE OF LOVE









PLEASE
EXCUSE
ME.

...IT'S MY
PLEASURE.



WHEN AN
AUTHOR WOULD
THANK ME.

I NEVER
IMAGINED THE
DAY WOULD
COME



SIMPLY
OVERJOYED...

...I'M
OVERJOYED.

